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Dear FCC, I urge you to oppose any efforts to hinder XM Satellite Radio from providing local traffic & weather reporting. I have been commuting over 20 miles by car into New York City daily for the last 7 years, and find the traffic reporting by XM to be far superior to that offered by local news stations. One highway on which I travel is almost never mentioned by the news stations, but always mentioned by XM. XM's reporting is more thorough and accurate. Also, the reports are repeated more frequently, so a listener doesn't have to wait very long for the conditions on their route to be described. An added benefit is that when I drive to other cities, I don't have to hunt on the radio dial to find the correct station to check the traffic and weather, it is easily located on XM.

XM technology provides much better service than the local stations. Allowing special interests of the local stations to block this service would be a detriment to consumers.

Thank you for your consideration.

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